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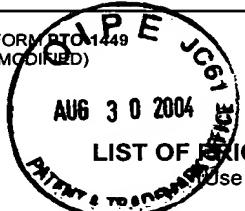
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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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AA	5,635,134	06/1997	Bourne et al.			
AB	5,688,476	11/1997	Bourne et al.			
AC	5,958,337	09/1999	Bourne et al.			
AD	6,159,423	12/2000	Bourne et al.			
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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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•	AL						
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**OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)**

•	AR	KIMGUARD ONE-STEP, STERILIZATION WRAP, KC100, Kimberly-Clark Corporation, described at www.KChealthcare.com; Copyright 2001					
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Customer No.: 35844

**FOURTH INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with Rules 1.56 and 1.98, the product listed as Reference AR on Form PTO-1449 is hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner as possibly material to examination of the subject patent application. References AA-AE are also hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner.

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